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traditional alliance of the Empires of
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Papacy,
For the old danger threatened the
infant king-
dom* Hadrian IV,, refusing tt>
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William, at lust put him to the ban,
Frederick I,
and Manuel prepared to overwhelm
their hered-
itary foe, and the Apulion baroim ro«*
again a*
in 1128 and 113\$, being joined now by
the tmrons
of Sicily, At this William showed
himself
no unworthy of the Norman
conquerors.
In tha autumn of 1155 the Byxontin<&
invaded
Apulia and conquered it long stretch
of from
Brifldud to Barf, which became! a
Grr«k
town. But William overrun the
mainland, and
on the a8th of May* 1156, at Rrimlfei,
destroyed
the army and nivy of the Greeks, Their
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turned Bar! for the time into t heap of
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of the treaty of Btmtwento (Jum% 1136)
by which
Hadrian hoth the Eitipirt*
the
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